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Title: SMOKING ACCESSORY

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 - PTO-1449, 1 page.
 - References, 20 items.
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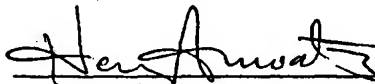
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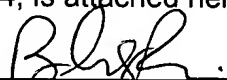
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